

Tuscaloosa Amateur Radio Club
Meeting Minutes from April 12th, 2021

Welcome and Introductions

Meeting called to order by President Stan Lee, KF4DGS at 7:01, who invited members present to introduce themselves and give call signs.

Officers Present:

President	Stan Lee	KF4DGS	Present
Vice President	Jerry Moon	KM4STO	Present
Sec/Treasurer	Rob McCray	KN4VZR	Present
Repeater Trustee	Tommy Howell	KG4MPU	Present
Net Manager	Robby Workman	AC4RW	Present

Members and Guests Present:

Jack Rigsby	KC4LKT
John Cargile	KK4ZSD
Vince Busche	KG4EES
Wade Robbins	KN4VPK
David Prestridge	KM4UGI
James Strudivant	KN4KYZ
Laura Sturdivant	KN4UOC
Brian Rice	K04CNX
Jim Wedlake	KD4MZL
Bill Engelke	AB4EJ
Jeremy Kirk	K04ETK
Chad Stephens	K04EUA

Old Business

None

New Business

Discussion: Field Day – To be June 26, 2021. Everett Sharp reconfirmed to supply one of the radios. The Club headsets will be brought for use. Stand discussed brining his crank up tower. Final determination still to be made, regarding if volunteers will be present and at what time to set up if we use it. Call sign will be W4XI. Tommy Howell mentioned Pizza was previously supplied as the food. Further discussion next meeting to determine food items for field day. Previous meeting, Food approved to be ordered but paid for by members present. Estimate to be checked on by Rob McCray closer to the event. Antennas and other equipment still TBD.

Discussion: Black Warrior Hamfest scheduled for 19 June 8:00 to 2:00. Volunteers for the TARC table include James Sturdivant and Wade Robbins had previously volunteered. Rob McCray and Jerry Moon also volunteered. Sale items to be determined for the table but will include the donated items from the estate that was collected last year. VE Testing offered from 10:00 to 12:00.

Treasurer's Report

Rob McCray (KN4VZR) Balance is \$5523.23 The account is up to date.

The Mercer annual insurance bill has been paid (\$146.45).

Repeater Trustee

Tommy Howell (KG4MPU). Repeaters are operational nothing significant to report except the announced temperatures have been off.

Net Manager

Robby Workman (AC4RW). The weekly net is going well. Nothing significant to report.

Other Discussion:

Bill Engelke discussed a joint space radio project that measures frequency changes in the ionosphere. Bill discussed two radio, known as the tangerine and the grape which track the frequency changes. The Grape can be purchased and assembled. Bill will be happy to present more information at the Black Warrior Hamfest.

Next Meeting

The next TARC meeting is scheduled for Mat 10th, 2021 (Tentative) at 7:00 in the Northport Civitan Club